104TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

# S. 2139

To amend title 49, United States Code, to require the use of child safety restraint systems approved by the Secretary of Transportation on commercial aircraft, and for other purposes.

### IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

September 27, 1996

Mrs. Murray introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

## A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. CHILD SAFETY RESTRAINT SYSTEMS ON COM-
- 4 MERCIAL AIRCRAFT.
- 5 (a) In General.—Chapter 447 of title 49, United
- 6 States Code, is amended by adding at the end the follow-
- 7 ing new section:

### 1 "§ 44724. Child safety restraint systems

- 2 "(a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 90 days after the
- 3 date of the enactment of this section, the Secretary of
- 4 Transportation shall issue regulations requiring the use
- 5 of child safety restraint systems that have been approved
- 6 by the Secretary on any aircraft operated by an air carrier
- 7 in providing interstate air transportation, intrastate air
- 8 transportation, or foreign air transportation.
- 9 "(b) Age or Weight Limits.—The regulations is-
- 10 sued under this section shall establish age or weight limits
- 11 for children who use the child safety restraint systems.".
- 12 (b) CLERICAL AMENDMENT.—The chapter analysis
- 13 for chapter 447 of title 49, United States Code, is amend-
- 14 ed by adding at the end the following new item:

"44724. Child safety restraint systems.".

#### 15 SEC. 2. INTERNATIONAL STANDARD.

- 16 It is the sense of the Congress that the United States
- 17 representative to the International Civil Aviation Organi-
- 18 zation should seek an international standard to require
- 19 that passengers on a civil aviation aircraft be restrained—
- 20 (1) on takeoff and landing; and
- 21 (2) when directed by the captain of such air-
- craft.

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